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CITY, INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM PARTNER FOR NATURAL AREAS, SPECIES INVENTORY

Project Funded By Local, Provincial and Federal Groups

Medicine Hat – The Medicine Hat Interpretive Program (MHIP), in cooperation with the City of Medicine Hat, have completed a Native Species Inventory study.

"The Native Species Inventory provides a foundation for planning and management of public open space areas," says Maureen Mudry, Manager of Parks Planning and Development. "The information can be utilized by planners, engineers, landscape architects, developers and a variety of City departments as part of the process for the planning and development of existing and future public open space in the City of Medicine Hat."

Included in the Inventory are lands owned by the City of Medicine Hat and managed by the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Department as public open space and all lands registered as Municipal Reserve and Environmental Reserve.

"The inventory features flora and fauna located in public open spaces in the Medicine Hat area." says Mudry. "The areas inventoried were classified according to Environmentally Significant Areas criteria such as local, regional, provincial, national or international importance."

The $62,600 project was funded by:

- Alberta Sports, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation
- Alberta Community Initiatives Program
- Alberta Conservation Association
- Canada/Alberta Manpower
- Medicine Hat Interpretive Program including numerous volunteers who assisted with the inventory
- Sweetgrass Consultants (contributions in-kind)
- TD Canada Trust Friends of the Environment
- The City of Medicine Hat

Copies of the report are available at the Parks and Outdoor Recreation department, 88 Kipling Street SE, or the Medicine Hat Interpretive Program building in Police Point Park.

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